

Personal News and Gossip of the Government Departments

District Building

Because of his ability as an expert accountant, Alonzo Tweedie, deputy auditor, has been honored with the appointment to the chairmanship of the committee of education of the Association of American Government Accountants, an organization whose influence is expected to extend over the entire Federal and local government service. The association had its inception in the desire to promote in the departments the best forms and systems of bookkeeping and accounting, and to educate accountants and bookkeepers into methods of safeguarding their various offices against the possibility of fraud and embezzlement. Another purpose is to keep Government employees constantly informed as to changes in systems of preparing records and accounts, through the dissemination of literature treating the subject.

The organization has among its members Charles E. Keep, chairman of the Key Committee, whose recommendations concerning certain abuses in the Federal Departments have already resulted in many reforms. It also includes almost all of the well-known auditors, accountants, disbursing officers, purchasing officers, and expert bookkeepers in the Government service.

Charley Rogers' Postal Cards.

"Those souvenir postal card sentimentalists are going the poets one better in the matter of the fair one adored," mused Disbursing Officer Charley Rogers yesterday afternoon upon receiving by mail another beautiful sample of the popular method of communicating a sentimental thought. Mr. Rogers has one of the best collections of souvenir postal cards at the District building, receiving from time to time through the mails many from unknown admirers. The amiable Disbursing Officer may convert them into a fancy vest some day, as such a suggestion has been made by one of his fellow workers.

"I mean," continued Mr. Rogers, "that while the poet only engraves the image of the adored one upon the heart, the sentimental postal card sender now buys the postal card with the name of the fair one boldly emblazoned upon it, and then sends it through the mail not caring a rap whether the postman or his curious relatives see it or not. The dealers have gotten wise to the fact that more of cards picturing pretty faces are bought than of any other kind, and as a result some of the fair ones are well, I would say, howling beauties."

Chief Belt's Electric Auto.

The sight of Fire Chief Belt speeding through the city at a hair-raising pace, smashing all records and speed laws, in quest of fire will be a familiar one to the citizens of the District two or three months hence. Chief Belt, following the cue of other notable District officials, has asked for an electric automobile—electric, mind you—and the District Commissioners have said: "Yea, good Chief, this is the nearest thing to wings we can give you, so speed on."

The Chief's auto will not be one of common mold. Quite to the opposite, the veteran has asked in his specifications that it be of the most improved design, of hard wood, well finished and braced. He wants one with springs of the best oil tempered "Sveedahl" steel, and with seats upholstered in curled hair, maroon colored leather cushions. The battery, the Chief suggests, should be of a type with sufficient capacity to develop any desired speed, which, it must be assumed, will be that of the veteran fire-fighter will not emulate the lethargic snail in going his rounds. The Chief also admits a weakness for nerve-racking approach announcers, requesting that the machine be equipped with one of those taboored "siren" horns. Emergency brakes and aluminum mudguards will complete the Chief's new "flyer."

No Landing Place in Heaven.

Danny Garges, secretary to Commissioner Biddle, who every now and then fills a hearer with a story about public school instruction—some of them admittedly laugh-provoking—has been told about the little daughter of his family servant which, apropos the school situation, may not be amiss. The little colored one, who is a pupil at the Garnet school, Secretary Garges tells, furnished considerable amusement for the teachers and other pupils one day recently by her novel elucidation of the principles of the attraction of gravity. The teacher had spent some time explaining to the class the result of Sir Isaac Newton's experiments, and when she thought she had made the subject clear to their youthful minds, she asked:

"Now, what little girl will tell me why an apple dropping from a tree falls to the ground?"

"Cause there 'aint any landing in Heaven for no colored folks," she said innocently, wondering why her teacher was forced to smile.

Changes at Home for Infirm.

On the recommendation of Dr. Percy C. Smith, superintendent of the Home for the Aged and Infirm, the Commissioners have appointed Dr. H. Christian Jorgensen as resident physician at the institution. Other changes at the home include the promotion of James W. Garrison from assistant chief engineer, at \$20 per annum, and the appointment of John K. Butler to be assistant engineer, and Charles Proctor as driver. The changes take effect immediately.

Paragraphs and Personals.

Fire Chief William Belt has returned to his post after a pleasant hunting trip of two weeks in the Virginia mountains. Deputy Chief Wagner, who acted as head of the Fire Department during the chief's absence, has returned to regular inspection duty, with headquarters at No. 14 engine house.

Those reported changes in the Assessor's office have made Danny Donovan, the Auditor's guide, stir himself.

Deputy Auditor Alonzo Tweedie is back again from a short visit, with Mrs. Tweedie, to the home of his father-in-law, Col. E. S. Fowler, appraiser of the port of New York, in Manhattan. "The Great White Way," in Tweedie reports, seemed little changed since he,

Agriculture

The Departmental Chess League match, last Wednesday evening at the Washington Chess Club, between the Agriculture and Justice-State teams, resulted in a victory for the latter. The Agriculture team were seriously handicapped by the absence from the city of some of their strong players, but when they return to the ranks the Farmers are expected to make a better showing. Following is the score:

Agriculture—Roberts, 0; Hitchcock, 1; Cross, 0; Rutter, 1; Pew, 0. Total, 1½.

Justice-State—Mitchell, 1; Smith, 0; Finn, 1; Martin, 1; Boreland, 1. Total, 3½.

Personals and Notes.

Col. S. R. Burch, chief clerk of the department, recently returned from an extended trip in the West.

Assistant Secretary Willet M. Hays will give an illustrated lecture before the National Geographic Society tomorrow evening on "Agricultural Progress in the United States."

Dr. L. O. Howard, chief of the Bureau of Entomology, gave a very interesting lecture at the meeting of the Biological Society of Washington, last Monday evening, in the assembly hall of the Cosmos Club, his subject being "Frolymbryony and the Fixation of Sex."

At the biennial convention of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, held at the New Willard Hotel Thanksgiving week, George M. Rommel, animal husbandman of the Bureau of Animal Industry, was selected as editor of the catalogue.

James H. Kimball, of the Bureau of Plant Industry, has been transferred to the Weather Bureau, with headquarters in Milwaukee, Wis.

Rob. R. Slocum, poultry assistant, in the Bureau of Animal Industry, returned Tuesday last after spending Thanksgiving at his home in Ithaca, N. Y.

A. G. Varela, of the Forest Service, returns to duty this week after a month's leave of absence.

H. M. Kendrick, the "rubber stamp man," left the past week for an annual leave of two weeks.

Paul D. Kelleter, of the forest service, who has been absent on annual leave, returns to duty this week.

E. D. Yerby, auditor of the department, has returned from his annual hunting trip to Virginia.

Sherman Leavitt, of the Bureau of Chemistry, leaves tomorrow on his annual leave.

Treasury

The Indiana division of the office of Auditor for Interior Department, which for several years has occupied offices on the third floor, northwest corner of the Treasury building, has been moved to rooms in the southwest corner of the same floor to make additional room for us of the Internal Revenue office.

The rooms vacated by the division will probably become offices of the Internal Revenue force that will have supervision of "denatured" or "free alcohol," under the law which becomes effective January 1 next.

Notes of Persons.

James B. Belt, Deputy Auditor for Interior, has returned from New Orleans, where he went on official business.

Miss Caro E. Kershaw is spending the month of December in the home of Dr. Cheney, New Orleans, La.

Miss Mary P. Renshaw, of the Treasury's office, is away on annual leave.

William M. Geddis, assistant secretary to Ter-Centennial Commission to Jamestown Exposition, is slowly recovering from a painful injury received at Williamsburg, Va. some days ago, where he had gone on business connected with the coming fair on waters of Hampton roads. While out driving with a friend the horses attached to a carriage bolted and upset the vehicle, throwing him out and severely bruising and spraining one leg and ankle.

Mrs. Emma H. Donnelly, of the Treasury's office, is away on leave for the rest of the year, which she will spend visiting friends in Montclair, N. J., and New York city.

James H. Campbell has returned to duty, after spending some time rusticiating in Maryland.

Robert S. Lytle, assistant teller of the National Bank Redemption Agency, and Mrs. Lytle have returned from Philadelphia, where they went to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with their son, a student in the University of Pennsylvania.

John T. Blythe, chief clerk of Internal Revenue Bureau, has returned from a visit of ten days to New York city.

Miss Catherine T. Costigan is again at her desk after a short vacation.

George P. Dunham has been transferred from the office of auditor for interior to the office of auditor for Postoffice Department.

Dr. Elmer E. Jackson has been appointed a clerk, class four, in the office of Disbursing Officer Charley Rogers, and Assistant Assessor Frank Nye looked it over last summer.

At his own request, Driver W. B. Handy, of the Fire Department, has been returned to the position of private of class 2. An accident to his arm decided Private Handy to resign as driver of truck company No. 4. As a result, Assistant Driver G. H. D'Perlin has been promoted to be driver at \$130 a year, and Private J. B. Sullivan has been promoted to be assistant driver at \$100 a year. The changes take effect December 15.

Bureau of Engraving and Printing

Postage stamps of the issue of 1907 for the 6,000 Presidential postoffices will bear on their face the name of the State and city in which the postoffice is situated. Twenty-six of the six thousand postoffices will have their names engraved upon the stamps, while in the case of the other postoffices the names will be printed across the face of the stamps after they have been engraved.

The chief reason for this innovation, it is said, is that it will tend to do away with the big postoffice robberies and make it much easier to trace criminals. The postoffice robbery in Chicago a few years ago is a good example of the ease with which stolen postage stamps can be disposed of, for no trace of the thief or thieves was ever discovered, although nearly a hundred thousand dollars' worth of stamps were stolen, and these mostly of small denominations.

It is said that the plan of engraving the names of the city of issue on postage stamps is not entirely new, as it has been followed in Mexico for years. In Liberia also the names of five of the principal towns are engraved upon the stamps.

Death of Old Employee.

Joseph A. Reilly, one of the oldest employees of the bureau, a plate printer on the night shift, died at his home in this city on Wednesday morning, December 6, from a complication of diseases.

Funeral services were held at his late residence, 704 C street southwest, Saturday morning. He is survived by his wife, Katie Delgan Reilly, who has the sympathy of many friends in the bureau in her sad bereavement.

Plate Printers' Officers.

The annual election of officers of Plate Printers' Union, No. 2, recently held at its headquarters in Typographical Temple, resulted as follows: William D. Lelsier, president; Clarence McClure, vice president; Julius Staats, recording secretary; Edward A. Meehan, financial secretary; D. A. Fulton, treasurer; Ed Farley, inspector; Thomas Dennen, outside guard; R. L. Grace, George Thurber, Julius Staats, George Foster, and P. J. Murphy, members of the executive board; Arthur Small, Joseph Hardie, and Theodore Rooney, trustees; C. W. Rich, William Doyle, and Charles J. Baker, auditing committee; Gus Davis, Zabel, Louis Perron, Fred Wrightmeyer, Samuel N. Miller, James Gibson, Ed Atkinson, and Ed Putnam, organization committee. The new officials will take office January 1. The entire list of officers are employed in the bureau.

Personal Mention.

Joseph O. Lash, of the numbering division, and Miss Anna Graft, of this city, were married on Wednesday, December 6, at the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church. They are now on a trip to the former home of the bridegroom in Mansfield, Ohio. Of the bride, turn to the city they will be at home to their friends at 906 North Carolina avenue southeast. Mr. Lash is one of the most popular employees of the bureau, and the recipient of many congratulations on the occasion of the happy event.

The marriage of William T. Wade, plate printer, and Miss Mary Goddard, of the printing division, both popular young people, took place at the Episcopal Church, on November 28, has been announced. Mr. and Mrs. Wade are housekeeping in their new home on Seaton place.

Walter W. Fox, of the engraving division, will be away from Monday until after the new year, spending the holiday season with the folks at home. Mr. Fox, whose magnificent tenor notes excite the jealousy of the just ordinary songsters, is a great cut-up among his friends at the bureau, and will be greatly missed.

Miss Katherine Andrews, of the engraving division, leaves early in December to spend the holidays with her parents in Missouri, and expects to be absent a couple of months.

Alexander Gordon, the popular elevator conductor, is taking his year-end leave, and will be away until January 2. He will spend most of the time taking in the sights of Washington.

Harry Stratmeyer, of the plumbing shop, is with his family at Rockville, Md., for a week's stay.

P. C. Shannon, of the plumbing shop, is taking the remainder of his annual leave. He will return to the bureau December 11.

Henry Schneide, of Chicago, has been appointed to the position in the bureau as a plate printer and assigned to the night shift.

John Deviny, plate printer in section two, who has been confined in Providence Hospital with typhoid fever, has recovered sufficiently to be removed to his home.

Frank J. Hunt, Joseph Sanders, and James DeLong, plate printers, recently resigned their positions and returned to their former homes, the first two named to New York, and the last to Harrisburg, Pa. The resignations of Edward Neelan, formerly of Philadelphia, and Joseph Rubinowitz, formerly of Louisville, Ky., plate printers, have also been announced.

H. W. Melville, plate printer in section two, has been granted leave for ten days, commencing Monday.

Samuel McCully, of section seven, left Thursday for a vacation of several days.

James McNally, plate printer in section two, has gone to Chicago for a visit of several weeks to relatives and friends. He will return about the first of January.

Edward J. Therien, of Chicago, has received an appointment as a plate printer, and been assigned to the night force.

A FORWARD YOUNGSTER.

"There is one of your employees that you may be sure will be coming to the front."

"Who is he?"

"The boy that answers the door."

"Jiminee, but Mr. Good, the candidate for county treasurer, is mad at you, said the foreman of the country weekly."

"What? Why, we gave him a great sendoff in his week's paper."

"Yes; he says you've ruined him. You referred to his as a 'trusted employee.'"

—Catholic Standard.

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Mrs. Arthur Hale has returned from Baltimore, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dieterick.

Mrs. C. S. Guthrie, who has been making a brief visit to New York, has returned to her apartment in the Connecticut.

The second auditor, Benjamin S. Harper, of Fort Wayne, with his wife, has taken apartments in the New Bern apartment house, on Massachusetts avenue, for the season. They have with them Mr. Harper's niece, Miss Helen Harper, daughter of J. F. Harper, of Fort Wayne, who came on for Thanksgiving, and will remain for the winter. Mrs. Harper was formerly Miss Gordon of Chicago, and was married to Mr. Harper during the summer in the home of her mother, Mrs. Grange Gorman, of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Steiner announce the engagement of their daughter, Ella, to Louis Bush, of this city.

Max Behrend, of Philadelphia, spent a few days in town the past week with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Livingston entertained at dinner during the week, when their guests were Mr. and Mrs. M. Stern, Dr. Sydney Behrend, and M. J. Stern.

Mrs. Henry J. Goodman entertained the Afternoon Embroidery Circle Thursday.

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Everett M. Hawley, correspondence clerk in the division of appointments, was recently admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of the United States.

Robert Lenihan of New York State, has been appointed to a clerical position in the 3000 grade, office of the Secretary, and assigned to the division of appointments.

R. M. Pindell, Jr., division of appointments, has been using up the remainder of his annual leave during the past week planting fruit trees on his farm at Pindell, Md., and doing other work necessary and incident to life on the farm at the winter season.

George M. Kimmel, clerk in the Bureau of Immigration since August last, has been devoting his time during the past week observing the Congressional sessions in order to post himself on the manner in which Uncle Sam's laws are made.

Webster H. Wilkerson, chief of the division of accounts, Bureau of Immigration, is again at his desk after a week's leave of absence.

H. M. Luckett, clerk of the division of disbursements, office of the Secretary, has been granted the remainder of his annual leave.

Julius L. Arntzen tendered his resignation on December 1 as a clerk in the office of the Secretary, \$1,000 grade, to accept a transfer to the Department of the Interior.

O. T. Moore, clerk in the division of disbursements, office of the Secretary, was among the number taking leave during the past week.

H. P. Childers, clerk in the division of agriculture, Bureau of the Census, who has been ill for several weeks, is in Covington, Ky. He is expected to return to his place in the bureau about the first of the year.

James R. Hurley has tendered his resignation as an assistant surgeon in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Francis E. Marvin has been promoted from the position of messenger boy at \$40 per annum to that of assistant messenger at \$70 per annum in the office of the Secretary.

Major A. H. Nickerson, clerk in the chief clerk's division, Bureau of the Census, has been confined to his bed by illness for several days. Major Nickerson has seen service in the regular army and is well known in Grand Army circles, being at the present time commander of one of the local posts. He escaped from the celebrated Custer massacre, his escape being attributed to the fact that he had been sent to the rear to secure reinforcements. Notwithstanding this fact he was compelled to run the gamut of the deadly warfare. The many friends in the bureau of the affable major wish for his speedy recovery of health.

T. N. Waddell, of the division of agriculture, Bureau of the Census, returned to the office Friday from a four months' stay in Boston on official business.

Eugene Young has invitations out for a dance to be given at Dyers' Hall on Tuesday evening, in honor of his twenty-first birthday anniversary.

At the ladies' whist held at the Mercantile Club, Saturday evening, the prizes were won by Mrs. Gus Wallerstein and Mrs. T. W. Nordlinger.

A very pretty wedding took place Wednesday evening in the parsonage of Douglas M. E. Church when Miss Alice R. Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Ward, was married to John G. Vellmeyer, the Rev. G. C. Bacon officiating. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the immediate families and relatives of the young couple. Miss Mamie Ward, of Trivoli, Md., was bridesmaid, and Albert E. Connor, of Washington, was best man.

The bride wore a cream lace robe over white silk and carried a shower bouquet of chrysanthemums. A reception and supper will be given by the bride's parents at their home, 237 H street northeast.

The young couple will be at home at 26 Fifth street northeast after December 15.

Miss Margaret E. Lanahan and William C. Lunsford were married last Tuesday evening by the Rev. Father Hefferman. The wedding was very small and informal, owing to the recent death of the bride's father. The bride's only attendant was Miss Lucille Connolly, and the best man was Robert Barrett.

Charles H. Tweed for Miss Katherine Tweed.

As for the debutantes, their number is simply overwhelming and not more than a tenth ever find any mention of their names and of their triumphs in the newspapers of the past week. Thus on Wednesday next Miss Eliza Winthrop Stevens, who recently emerged from her seclusion by the performance of a severe operation, and now presenting a more attractive appearance than ever, will make her debut courtesy to society at a tea given by her mother, Mrs. Edward Stevens, at the Oscar Schmidt home, on West Eighth street, where she is spending the winter with her parents. Miss Stevens is a remarkably pretty girl, very tall and blonde, and will be assisted in receiving by her sister, Antoinette Hecker, Miss Rosalie de Forest, Miss Hester Davis, Miss Elsie Sanford, Miss Mary Winslow, and Miss Lucy Roosevelt.

Other debutantes of the week are Miss Frances Alexander, who will be introduced on Friday to society by her mother, Mrs. William Alexander, at her home on West Thirtieth street, while on Saturday Miss Katherine Van derbilt will make her debut at a reception given by her mother, Mrs. Hamilton R. Fairfax, Miss Marie Louise Peckham will come out at a reception given by her mother, Mrs. Walton M. Peckham, at the Hotel Gotham. Mrs. George Baylies Sanford will give a reception for Miss Elizabeth Sanford at her home on East Thirtieth street, Mrs. William W. McAlpine will have a reception for Miss Adelaide McAlpine at her home on East Ninetieth street.

Off for Europe.

Perhaps it is owing to the shortness of the season that so many people are going abroad this winter, and outgoing steamers sail with crowded passenger lists. Thus immediately after New Year there will be a perfect exodus of the Vanderbilts, as not only the Reggie Vanderbilts, but also the Alfred Vanderbilts and the Cornelius Vanderbilts are booked for Europe. The Neelie Vanderbilts are going to Berlin, and the South Vanderbilts are bound for France.

Those going abroad are Mrs. Ogden Goelt, who has been spending several weeks at Hot Springs, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. R. Livingston Heckman, and Mrs. M. Wright Collier and Miss Stevens. Mrs. Berkeley Mostyn and her daughter, Miss Alexandra, and her sister, Miss Alfred, are also going. Mrs. John W. Mackay and her sister, Countess Telfener, who have been over here for some weeks, are booked to leave for Europe on next Saturday.

December Events.

Other dances are those of Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, on December 20, at her home on West Fifty-eighth street, for her debutante daughter, Miss Harriet Alexander, on which occasion the fine new ballroom will be inaugurated. On the following night Mrs. Davis P. Morgan gives a large dance for her granddaughters, Miss Mildred Carter and Miss Gladys Kissel, at Sherry's, and on the same evening Delmonico's will be the scene of the second of the dances of the Friday Evening Assembly.

Saturday, December 22, is set as the date for the third of the dances of the Metropolitan Club, and also of the first of the dances of the Friday Evening Assembly. The Metropolitan dances are for girls of seventeen, who are to make their debut twelve months hence, and the dances of Delmonico's are for girls of sixteen, who were formerly held in the Ladies' Annex of the Metropolitan Club. Mrs. Charles B. Alexander is the moving spirit of the organization. Several dances will take place at Sherry's on December 28, one of them given by Mrs. Winthrop Burr for Miss Rosamond and Miss Frances Burr, and another by Mrs.

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